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SUBJ: BREZHNEV VISIT TO FRANCE: DISARMAMENT TEXT AND
CCD

REFS: A. PARIS 29564, 10/7/76. B. PARIS 17170.
C. MOSCOW 8313.

1. ADDRESSEES MAY RECALL THAT WE REPORTED TIGHTLY-
HELD FRENCH REVIEW OF DISARMAMENT ISSUES LAST YEAR
(REF A) FOCUSING ON QUESTION POSSIBLE FRENCH CCD
PARTICIPATION TO BLUNT SOVIET PRESSURES IN DISARMAMENT
FIELD IN CONNECTION BREZHNEV VISIT.

2. ANDREANI HAS NOW OBLIQUELY CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF
THAT FRENCH HAVE RECONSIDERED THEIR POSITION ON THIS
QUESTION AND MIGHT BE PREPARING IN THE UN CONTEXT TO
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EXPRESS NEW VIEWS ON CCD PARTICIPATION. THIS,
ANDREANI SAID, WOULD NOT MEAN ABRUPT FRENCH ANNOUNCE-
MENT OF DESIRE TO PARTICIPATE IN CCD, BUT RATHER NEW
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST CONTINGENT ON SOLUTION OF
THREE PROBLEMS: (A) CURRENT "NON-REPRESENTATIVENESS"
OF CCD; (B) PRESENT UNACCEPTABLE CHAIRMANSHIP ARRANGE-
MENTS; AND (C) THE FACT THAT CCD HAS TRADITIONALLY

DEALT WITH ALL THE "SECOND AND THIRD-LEVEL ISSUES" IN THE DISARMAMENT FIELD. IF PROGRESS COULD BE MADE IN THESE THREE AREAS ANDREANI THOUGHT THERE MIGHT INDEED BE POSSIBILITY OF FRENCH PARTICIPATING IN CCD.

3. ANDREANI SAID THAT SHIFT WOULD NOT BE MADE EXPLICITLY PART OF BREZHNEV COMMUNIQUE--ALTHOUGH A "CAREFUL READING" OF THE TEXT NOW BEING NEGOTIATED WILL YIELD CLUES OF CHANGING FRENCH VIEWS ON CCD AND "OTHER FRENCH EFFORTS" TO ACCENTUATE THE POSITIVE IN THE DISARMAMENT AREA. ANDREANI REITERATED HOWEVER THAT THIS WOULD NOT INCLUDE MBFR, FOR WHICH FRENCH PERCEIVE NO SAFE NEGOTIABLE SOLUTION AND TO WHICH THEY WILL REMAIN STEADFASTLY OPPOSED.

COMMENT: ANDREANI DID NOT EXPAND ON THE THREE CONDITIONS (PARA 2) HE CITED FOR POSSIBLE GOF PARTICIPATION IN CCD. SINCE ANDREANI IS NOT PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH DISARMAMENT MATTERS, BRIEF REMARKS REPORTED ABOVE SHOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE TAKEN AS DEFINITIVE GOF POSITION ON CCD.

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